



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/698,205

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Applicant: Frank Forrest Humbles

Examiner: Mayo, Tara L.

For: SURGICAL ARM POSITIONING PAD Art Unit: 3671

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is written in response to an Office Action dated December 3, 2004 and a phone conference with the Examiner on February 9, 2005.

The undersigned attorney and the Examiner spoke on February 9, 2005 regarding changes to claims that would make claims remaining in the Application allowable. It is the Applicant's understanding that if Applicant cancels Claims 7 - 12 and makes amendments to Claims 1 - 6 as is shown on the following pages, then the remaining Claims 1 - 6 in the Application will be found allowable by the Examiner. Conditional on that understanding, Applicant requests the following final amendments be entered by the Examiner. Please amend Claims 1 - 6 and cancel Claims 7 - 12. If the Examiner finds these amendments unacceptable, Applicant asks that they not be entered.